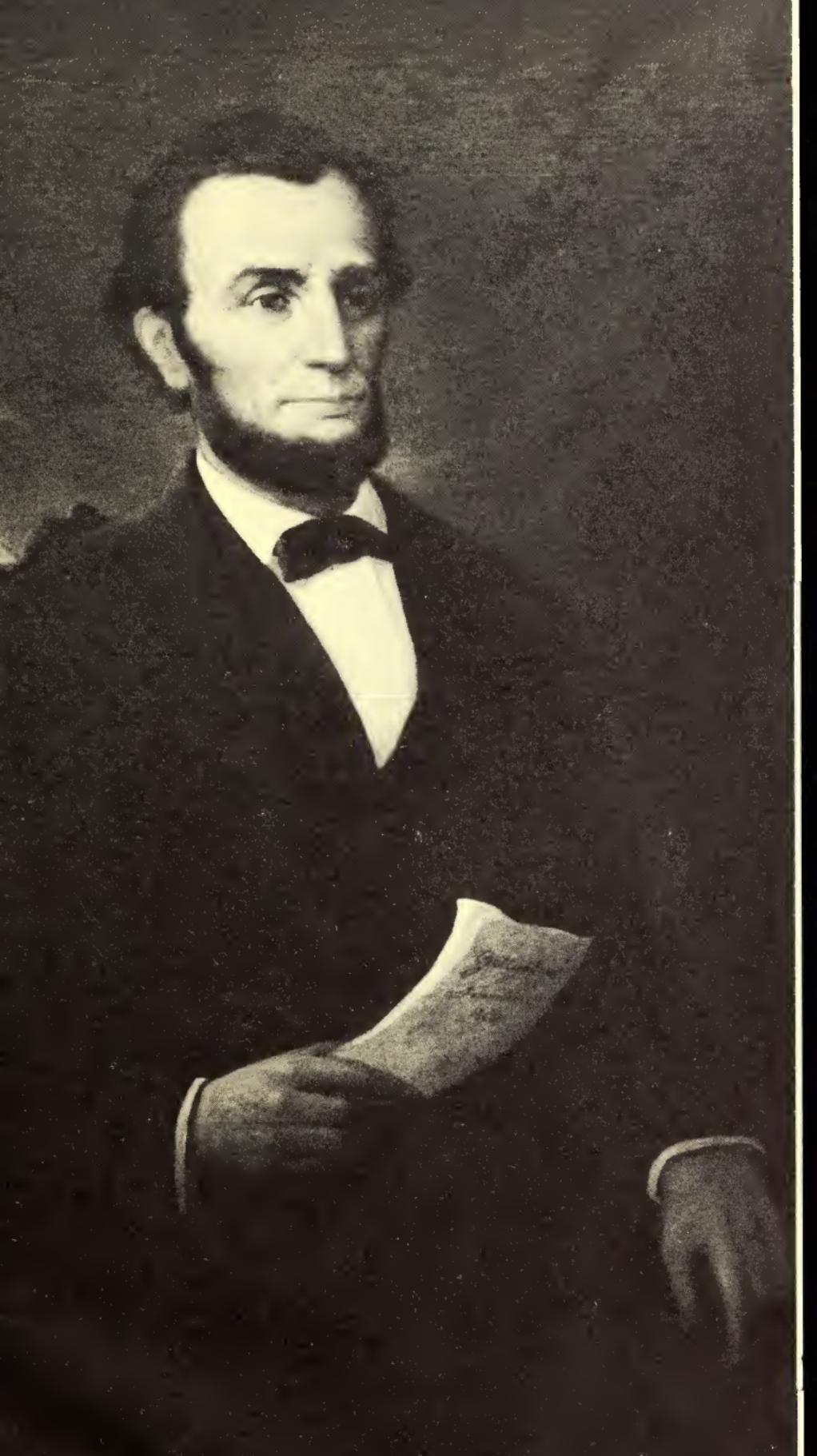


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The Gettysburg Address Exhibit
Gettysburg National Military Park, PA

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The Second Draft
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THE SECOND DRAFT

On November 19, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln spoke briefly at the dedication of a cemetery at Gettysburg. The land had been purchased by the Union States for the burial of their dead from the July Battle of Gettysburg.

Displayed at Gettysburg today is the second draft of the Gettysburg Address. Although the exact origin of this manuscript cannot be determined, evidence suggests that it represents Lincoln's first revision of the famous speech and was written shortly after his return to Washington. The draft was given to one of the President's private secretaries, John Hay, and remained in obscurity until a facsimile was published for public distribution in 1909. In 1916, Hay's children gave the first and second drafts of the Gettysburg Address to the Library of Congress.

Known and cherished by millions, the Gettysburg Address is an unchallenged example of patriotic eloquence. The Hay copy is one of five such drafts in Lincoln's own handwriting.

This exhibit is made possible by an agreement between the Library of Congress and the National Park Service.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

This oil on canvas painting by Francis Bicknell Carpenter was probably painted in Washington, D.C. early in 1864. Carpenter (1830-1900), a portrait painter, is best known for his "First Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation" (President Lincoln and his Cabinet) which hangs in the United States Capitol. Several of Carpenter's paintings were completed in the White House where he lived as a guest of the President.

The painting was a gift of the Bernard J. Winters family, Armonk, N.Y.